

ABSOLUTE RATING: Excellent

Number of career centers in the state: 40.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from Average to Excellent.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Excellent	N/A
2002		
2003		
2004		

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

Percent of students eligible to attend the center who enrolled in one or more courses: 79.79%

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Groups	Percent Mastering Core Competencies		Percent Receiving Diplomas		Percent Placed in Field	
	This Center	State Center Average	This Center	State Center Average	This Center	State Center Average
All Students	57.91%	73.65%	88.54%	94.64%	96.62%	96.21%
Students with disabilities on diploma track	29.70%	48.53%	100.00%	92.31%	100.00%	96.23%
Gender						
Male	53.55%	69.22%	94.74%	93.98%	98.11%	97.36%
Female	62.40%	78.86%	82.47%	95.35%	95.05%	94.85%
Ethnic Group						
White	65.21%	80.06%	93.55%	96.35%	97.35%	97.05%
African American	51.24%	64.34%	83.84%	91.79%	95.74%	94.82%
Other	42.86%	78.36%	N/A	96.75%	N/A	95.33%
Lunch Status						
Free/reduced lunch	48.32%	65.94%	82.81%	91.21%	95.45%	94.19%
Pay for lunch	64.37%	76.40%	91.41%	95.81%	97.92%	98.05%

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Median Career Center
SCHOOL			
• Dollars spent per student	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Prime instructional time	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Student-teacher ratio	N/A	N/A	29.0 to 1
STUDENTS (n=1,323)			
• Attendance rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
TEACHERS (n=21)			
• Professional Development days per teacher	7.7 Days	Up from 6.1	8.5 Days
• Attendance rate	93.6%	Down from 94.5%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	28.6%	Down from 33.3%	24.0%
• Continuing contract teachers	90.5%	Up from 85.7%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	94.0%	Up from 92.0%	90.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$41,462	Up 5.5%	\$39,220

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Median Career Center
SCHOOL FACTS			
• Dropout rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Director's years at the center	8.0	N/A	5.0
• Parents attending conferences	10.6%	N/A	27.8%
STUDENTS			
• Suspended or expelled	10	N/A	3
• With disabilities	7.7%	N/A	1.4%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	5.4%	N/A	18.0%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	1,323	N/A	643
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	5.4%	N/A	16.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

The Chester County Career Center has enjoyed another successful year serving the youth of Chester County. We served over 700 students in our 13 program areas.

Most programs participated in their respective district competitions. Students in Auto Mechanics, Machine Shop and Drafting advanced to the state level, highlighted by a 2nd place finish in Auto Mechanics. Four DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) students represented Chester County at the National Competition in Anaheim, California.

We strive to keep our programs and equipment as up-to-date as possible. Last year we installed AutoCADD 2000 in the Drafting lab; upgraded the Graphic Communications lab; and purchased equipment for Auto Mechanics and Agriculture. Our instructors work diligently to keep abreast of changing technology. A number of instructors participated in the National Board Certification, NATEF Certification, and Wheels of Learning Certification.

We have active business/industry participation on our Craft Advisory Committees, enabling us to be aware of changes in the workplace. We also feel blessed with our business/industry participation in providing meaningful workbased experiences for our students. District-wide, approximately 200 high school students participated in one or more state-recognized School-To-Work initiatives.

We understand that as the world is ever-changing, we must embrace change to prepare our students to take their places in a global economy. Your input is welcome and necessary as we work together toward accomplishing this goal.

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	89.5	82.9	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	94.7	83.7	
Satisfied with home-school relations	68.4	87.5	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades 9-12 Career Center
Enrollment: 1,323 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Excellent



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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